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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, there is absolute decontrol prevailing now and I do not think it is possible to prevent Andhra rice coming into this State."

Television unit for the College of Engineering.

* 644 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether a Television set, intended for use in educational institutions, is expected to be installed in the Tele-Communication Laboratory of the Engineering College, Guindy?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The Government have sanctioned the purchase of a closed circuit Television unit for the Tele-communication laboratory of the College of Engineering, Guindy, for the instructional use of the students."

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—" அது என்ன விலை என்று கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொல்லுவார்களா ?"

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" About Rs. 10,000, Sir."

Kolappuram Spinning and Weaving Mills.

* 645 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Ariculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the management of the Kolappuram Spinning and Weaving Mills, Kolappuram, Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar, put up a notice on 17th July 1954 retrenching half the number of workers in the factory since 1st August 1954 without giving any proper reasons;

(*b*) whether any steps for conciliation have been taken by the Government in this affair; and

(*c*) if so, with what result?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) & (*c*) Yes, Sir. The Labour Officer took up conciliation when the parties came to an amicable settlement and signed a memorandum of settlement."

Reddy (Ganjam) community.

* 646 *Q.*—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Reddy (Ganjam) community was included in the list of backward classes till recently and was enjoying the fee concessions, etc., in the educational institutions;

(*b*) whether the said community has now been removed from that list;

(*c*) if so, when and why;